

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT
APPLICATION 2653

In re: PATENT APPLICATION of:

Inventor(s): SHIOZAKI et al.

Appln. No.: 09 965,357

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Group Art Unit 2653

Examiner: HUBER, PAUL W.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER RULE 114

Please continue the examination of this application.

PREREQUISITES

This application was filed on/after June 8, 1995, is not abandoned, and no court action has been filed, or if filed, it has been terminated.

An issue fee has not been paid (unless a petition under Rule 313(c)(2) is also being filed -- see item 4 below).

Prosecution has been closed as defined in Rule 114(b).

Reply to any outstanding action must be enclosed or previously filed.

This application is entitled under Rule 114 to withdrawal of any outstanding finality or of any allowance plus a new action by the Examiner. Consideration on the merits of each submission (e.g., IDS, Amendment, new arguments, new evidence, but not appeal/reply briefs themselves) filed herewith is respectfully requested.

Please consider the following before the next Official Action:

1. Please enter do not enter the Amendment filed
2. The enclosed new Amendment
3. Consider the arguments in the appeal brief filed _____ and reply brief filed _____
4. The issue fee has been paid, but this RCE is based on Rule 313(c)(2). See enclosed petition.
5. The enclosed Information Disclosure Statement

IDS Letter Cited Appln Foreign Search Report/OA
 PTO-1449 Cited Documents

6. Please suspend action under Rule 103(c) for a period of _____ months (3 mos. Max) for which charge the required \$130 fee (fee code 1808) to our Deposit Account (see below).

7. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date of _____ to cover the date _____ (1 mo) \$110/\$55
 this Request is filed. PLEASE CHARGE the requisite fee to our Deposit (2 mos) \$420/\$210 + 0
 Account (see below) (3 mos) \$950/\$475

8. PLEASE CHARGE the Rule 17(e) (RCE) filing fee of \$770 (lg. ent.) \$385 (sm. ent.) plus any deficiency and any other fee due now or later to our Deposit Account No. 16-1805 under Order No. _____ /

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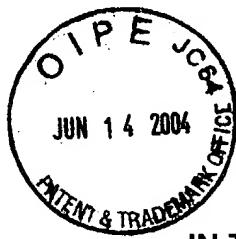
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Dear Sir:

In response to a Notice of Allowance dated March 17, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application, applicants respectfully submit a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-referenced application in lieu of payment of the issue fee. Please consider the following remarks prior to examination of the above-identified RCE application.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 6 are pending. No new matter has been introduced. In a Notice of Allowance dated March 17, 2004, the Examiner allowed claims 1 - 6.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed concurrently with this Request for Continued Examination. The IDS includes references that were cited in foreign office actions for a related application. The IDS and references are presented to the Examiner in lieu of paying the issue fee.

Applicants respectfully request an Office Action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is requested to call either of the undersigned attorneys at the Los Angeles telephone number (213) 488-7400 should the Examiner believe that such a telephone conference would advance prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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